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Preparations for the fifth programming cycle

Th Governing Council,

Taking note of the report of the Administrator on preparations for the fifth programming cycle (DP/1991/24),

Emphasizing the importance of the regional dimension in global priority issues, such as environment and development, and poverty, as well as the increasing relevance of regional integration,

Deeply concerned about the reduction of regional indicative planning figure resources for the fifth cycle, which suffered a substantial reduction from the fourth cycle to the fifth cycle, whereby several were reduced by substantially more than the average reduction in the combined regional allocations, which was 26 per cent,

Decides that any given regional indicative planning figure should not be reduced more than the 26 per cent average, and thus exceptionally decides to allocate $24 million from the unallocated resources to compensate as follows:

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* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

Region	Reduction (Percentage)	Proposed
Africa	20	20
Asia and the Pacific	28	26
Latin America and the Caribbean	47	26
Arab States	35	26
Europe	58	26